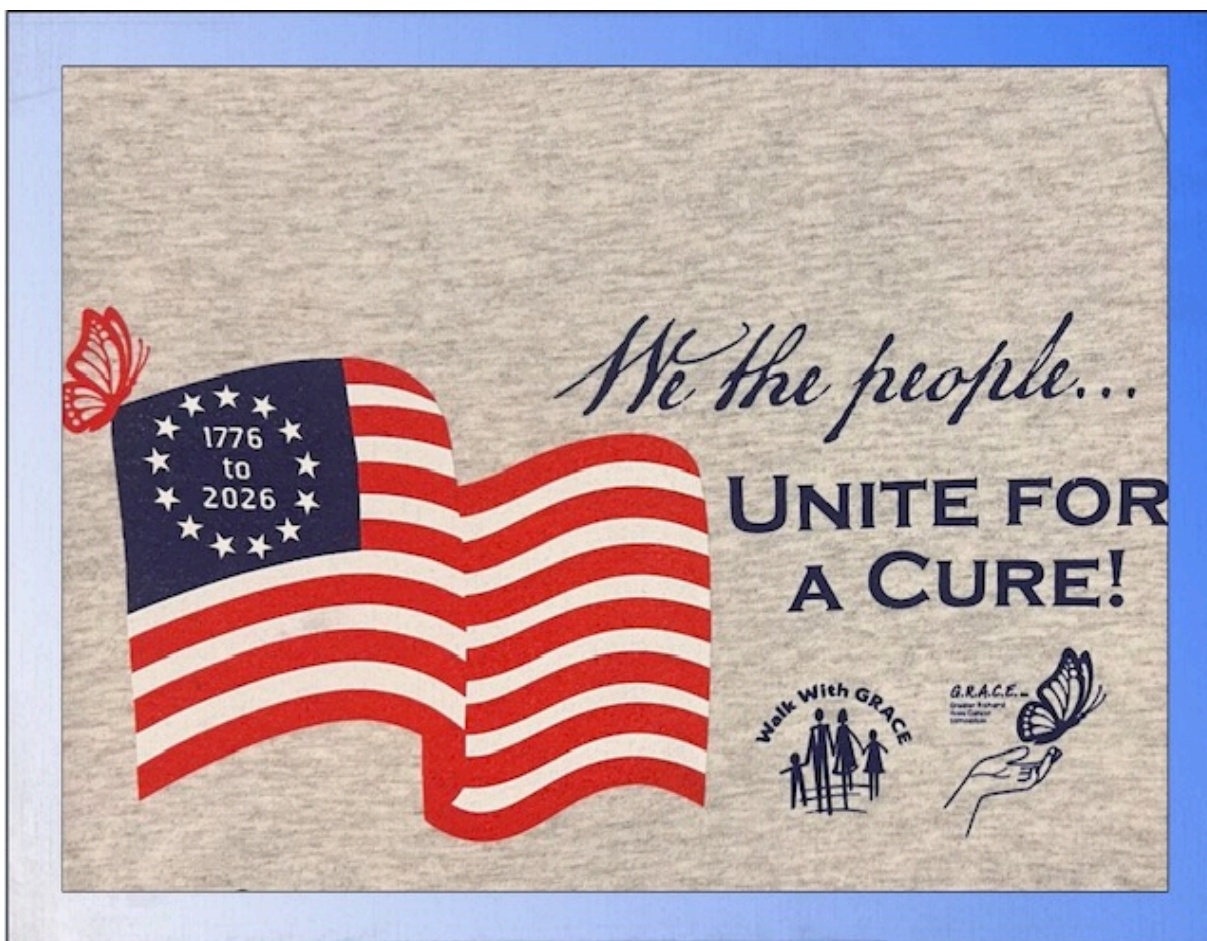


2026 Annual Report

Thursday, October 15, 2026



G.R.A.C.E., Inc.

**Greater Richland
Area Cancer
Elimination**



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REPORT FROM THE 2025-26 PRESIDENT

Impacting lives for 23-years!!! We are now working on our 24th year, and in a blink of an eye, less than 12 months we will be ready to celebrate our 25th anniversary! The 2026 Walk with GRACE slogan “We the people Unite for a Cure” of course ties in our Nations 250th birthday!

The Greater Richland Area Cancer Elimination, LLC, is heavily supported by not only the amazing businesses in our service area; but also, the individuals/families that live within the nearly 590 square miles of Richland County; plus in our neighboring counties, includes the townships that touch the borders of Richland County. We provide support to approximately 1,354 square miles with a cumulative population of over 24,500 individuals. I am continually amazed by the unwavering support of the families as well as the businesses and service organizations within our service area that are willing to give a hand-up to their neighbors.

Our total for 2026 is \$400,561.47. That is less our 2025 total, but this year we did not have a big raffle which generated a substantial amount of funds the previous year. Regardless, our teams, businesses, service organization, and individuals in our GRACE service area in 2026 did an extraordinary job raising funds. The annual walk brings people together to UNITE FOR A CURE. We all come together to support a common cause without any personal politics or religious affiliations interfering as we all come together to set our sail for another year.

I want to thank our 2026 Ambassadors, and all the previous Ambassadors for sharing their stories. You never know what message will resonate and make a difference in somebody life. I thank all our Teams for being proactive to raise money and awareness about GRACE. Whether your team advocates and fundraises year-round, or a lemonade stand; it all matters. It all counts as every penny makes a difference. Our numerous volunteers work behind the scenes and all our sponsors, we are grateful. As with every year, a shout out to WRCO for monthly airtime on the Morning Show, hosting a full week radio auction which this year generated a record of just over \$33,000. WRCO and all their staff is a cornerstone of our success. We than all the sponsors for our annual events. Please know, we appreciate you and we know that we could not do this without each of you.

As I’ve said many times over these past few years, this organization was not built by one or two people, it was a group and their families and volunteer base continued to grow. It started with a thought, that thought became an idea, that idea started forming a plan and what we have today is the reality of that “what if” idea. We will always “honor our past”, yet it is critical that we continue to build on that strong foundation set for us 23 years ago. To attract the younger generations to keep this support system strong it sometimes requires an upgrade or remodel to continue to grow in the future. In doing so, we must always be vigilant of our valued non-profit status and always protect “our Golden Goose which we know as GRACE”.

Each day we need to keep positive energy flowing. Cancer is never an invited guest in our life journey; but we honor and support those who had that unwelcomed guest take up residency in their daily life and in their home. Godspeed to each of you; and we will always remember the legacy of those who are no longer with us.

Thank you for supporting G.R.A.C.E. whether this past week, past year or since the inception in 2003.

Eileen M Stevens, 2025-26 President

MISSION STATEMENT

Greater Richland Area Cancer Elimination works to fund cancer research, education, and to assist cancer patients.

VISION STATEMENT

To maintain a viable organization to aid the greater Richland Area in the following ways:

Provide services to cancer patients to help fight and cope with the disease.

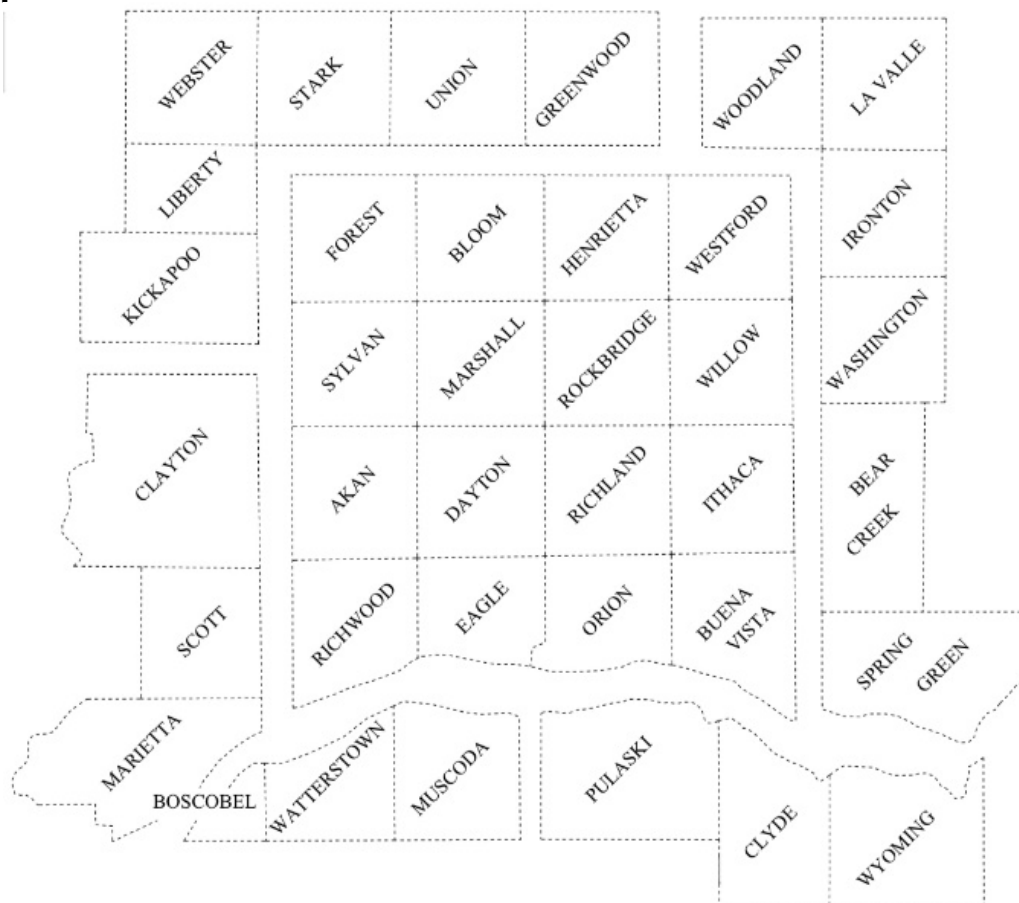
Provide funding for research to someday eliminate cancer totally.

Provide funding to better educate our area about preventative cancer decisions.

Provide funding to the medical community for diagnosis, treatment and services.

OUR SERVICE AREA

Townships We Serve



Richland County, WI

- Townships of
 - Akan
 - Bloom
 - Buena Vista
 - Dayton
 - Eagle
 - Forest
 - Henrietta
 - Ithaca
 - Marshall
 - Orion
 - Richland
 - Richwood
 - Rockbridge
 - Sylvan
 - Westford
 - Willow

Crawford County, WI

- Townships of
 - Clayton
 - Marietta
 - Scott

Grant County, WI

- Townships of
 - Boscobel
 - Muscoda
 - Waterstown

Iowa County, WI

- Townships of
 - Pulaski
 - Clyde
 - Wyoming

Sauk County, WI

- Townships of
 - Bear Creek
 - Ironton
 - LaValle
 - Spring Green
 - Washington
 - Woodland

Vernon County, WI

- Townships of
 - Greenwood
 - Kickapoo
 - Liberty
 - Stark
 - Union
 - Webster

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2025-2026

OFFICERS

President: Eileen Stevens

Vice President: Vacant

Secretary: Leif Carlson

Treasurer: Marge Bisco

Director for Patient Assistance: Rose Birkholz

DIRECTORS

Jo Ann Krulatz

Monica Eernisee

Pat Meyers

Torrey Hill

Vacant

Vacant

2025 WALK WITH GRACE COMMITTEE & SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Walk Chairperson – June Nee

Auction Chair – Hailey Seep

 Bucket Raffle – Rose Birkholz

 Silent Auction – Ken Thiede

Calendar Raffle – Rod Reetz and Jo Ann Krulatz

Entertainment – Stage – WRCO Phil Nee

Entertainment/Children's – Richland Hospital and Clinics

Event Photographer – Sarah Rynes

Food – Jennifer Carter

Logistics – Eric Rynes

Luminaries – Linda Kleppe / Chris Powell

Publicity – Vacant Seat – All Assisted

Recruitment – Suzanne Fish

Registration – Rob Rynes

Survivorship – Joanne Amell/Rose Birkholz



2026 Theme

“We the people Unite For A Cure!”

Friday August 14, 2026 Krouskop Park



WALK WITH GRACE AMBASSADORS ACROSS HISTORY

2004 Darcie Gaffney* Barb Rynes* DeeDee Bayne 2005 Jerry Bower* John Richards Marsha Burkhamer Brittany Ewing 2006 Jeff Oler Glen Niemeyer Peter Greenwood Alexis Hines 2007 Chase Hendrickson Arianna Kovars Don Maxwell* Sarah Hibbard* 2008 Shari Johnson June Nee Kathy Neckar Dana Peterson 2009 Kevin Gulsrud* Janet Fisher Diane Cox Deb Zorea* 2010 Jody Louis Jim Goodwiler* Viki Campbell Mindy O'Toole 2011 Ann Greenheck* Jane Husnik Tim Thiede Dick Young* 2012 Lee Honer* Melissa Klingaman Leslie Meadows* Barb Persinger*	2013 Della Gander-Longmire* Leslie Jacobson Karen Manning Sue Munger 2014 Jaxon Louis Larry Sebranek Janis Peterson Stacy McCauley Gruber Ingrid Olson 2015 Teri Benning Lance Harris Connie Tracy 2016 Chuck Allbaugh* Carolyn Anderson Joni Peterson Lisa Stafford 2017 Farrah Burkhamer Valerie Mueller Shirley Olson 2018 Germaine Hying Logan Olson Chris Ottesen* Destiny Shannon 2019 Monty Berger Mary Kast* Jennie Marroquin Deb Wassinger 2020 Michelle Goebel* Dottie Behling* Keith Behling 2021 Sharon Panske* Stacy Kleist Phyllis Keller* Ellen Evans	2022 Merlin Leverenz* Sandra Schwartz Dwight Myers Dan Slaney 2023 "In Honor Of" and "In Memory of" All Past Ambassadors 2024 Marge Bensen Jacque De Yager Tara Weitzel 2025 Amy Lins Betsy Wiedenfeld Seth Paulson Toni McCarvel 2026 Babe Kraska Michael Bradford Nancy Gher Gary Schwartz
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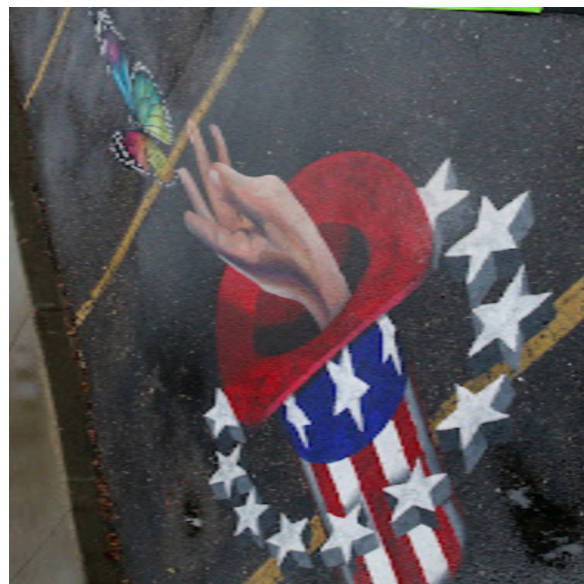
*In Memory Of

Summary of Walk with GRACE 2026

#'s below from the Sept budget report

Total Raised by Teams	\$	265,781.60
Merchandise Income	\$	904.00
Luminary Sales*	\$	4,920.00
Calendar Raffle*	\$	37,640.00
Silent Auction	\$	6,019.50
Bucket Raffle	\$	3,300.00
Food Vendor Donations	\$	1,895.00
WRCO Radio Auction*	\$	33,035.00
TOTAL*	\$	400,561.47

*Luminary sales, calendar raffle & portion of WRCO Radio Auction total is dispersed in team totals. Only counted in the overall total once.



2026 WALK TEAM TOTALS

40 Teams / \$265,781.60

All American Do It Center	\$1,333.81	RCB Employees	\$8,815.00
American Red Cross	\$1,620.00	RCIS Intermediate School	\$280.00
Angela Rose Studios	\$390.00	RC Shopping News	\$2,132.00
Archie Monument	\$115.00	Richland Electric Coop	\$900.00
Bradford Family Team	\$1,850.00	Rockwell Automation	\$13,098.53
Burkhamer Cancer Busters	\$ 3,365.00	RSK Transport	\$1,890.00
Community First Bank	\$ 952.39	Schmitt Woodland Hills	\$321.00
CUREsaders	\$47,594.00	St. John's Lutheran Church	\$9,472.24
Enforcers (The)	\$555.00	Struttin' Mutt's	\$1,691.05
Faith, Family, & Friends	\$7,041.00	Sunshine & Giggles	\$100.00
Five Points Church	\$3,055.00	Team Booney Tunes	\$12,745.00
Gas Guzzlers	\$3,587.00	Team Hambone	\$5,000.00
In The Pink	\$1,520.00	Team Sandy & Tom	\$20,312.26
Mighty Ducks	\$5,414.00	The Peoples Community Bank	\$1,376.00
Muscoda Amer Legion & Aux	\$1,926.50	The Richland Hospital & Clinics	\$16,064.36
NASCAR Fans United	\$30,161.36	Tonsil Troopers	\$570.00
Pam's Posse	\$6,737.00	Wal-Mart	\$4,090.00
Panske Posse	\$1,145.00	WCCU Credit Union	\$366.73
Potpourri	\$7,194.53	WRCO	\$34,245.00
Ramada	\$1,226.84	You Are Enough Counseling	\$5,529.00

\$265,781.60

Patient Fund

Since its inception, the Local Cancer Patient Fund of Greater Richland Area Cancer Elimination has approved a total of 1,074 applications.

Since Inception	Applications	Since 01/01/2025
838	1 st Request	104
196	2 nd Request	35
66	3 rd Request	10
9	4 th Request	6
49	DENIED	9

Denials are typically due to the individual living outside of our service area at the time of application; or a cancer diagnosis could not be confirmed from a primary care provider.

Payouts for the past year were as follows:

- ❖ First time application up to \$2,750
- ❖ Second time application up to \$2,250
- ❖ Third time application up to \$1,250
- ❖ Fourth time application up to \$500

2026 Allocations

The Board of Directors decided to keep allocation amounts the same as 2024. We also have an application process to open-up and encourage creative ideas to serve our communities and meet needs on research, medical community services and prevention.

Local Cancer Patient Funding - 58%

\$232,325.65 was put into our fund to assist local cancer patients.

Research - 25%

A total of **\$100,140.36** for research and will be divided as follows:

\$50,070.05 will be given to the UW Medical Foundation in Madison.

\$50,070.05 will be given to Gundersen Emplify in La Crosse.

Medical Community - 10%

\$40,056.15 allocated to the local medical community.

Preventative Cancer Education – 5%

\$20,028.07 was put into our Preventative Measures and Education Fund for promotion of preventative cancer decisions.

Operating Cost – 2%

\$8,011.23 was put into our Operating Fund.

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Accrual Basis

Greater Richland Area Cancer Elimination, Inc.

Balance Sheet

As of August 31, 2026

	Aug 31, 26
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Deposit Acct - RCBank #119954	381,818.23
Local Cancer Patient Money	
Ckg-RCB LCPScrip125-652	9,808.72
LCP Chkg - RCBank # 120243	47,385.50
People's mat 12/13/26@3.35%#840	25,000.00
People's mat 3/16/2027 3.35%#842	25,511.19
People's mat12/13/26@3.35% #839	25,000.00
Peoples mat1/13/2027 3.40%#841	25,511.19
Royal mat 5/17/27 @3.45% #471	28,451.70
WCCU-mat9/13/27@3.45%#114	50,859.08
WCCU mat 2/18/27@3.80 #117	114,158.65
WCCU mat 5/28/2027@3.80% - 116	44,810.17
Total Local Cancer Patient Money	396,496.20
Medical Community	
Chg-Royal Bank-Med Com #0375	
Royal mat 12/10/2027 3.55% #395	25,881.54
Chg-Royal Bank-Med Com #0375 - Other	26,852.21
Total Chg-Royal Bank-Med Com #0375	52,733.75
PCB-mat 9/19/26-3.40% #636	25,740.06
Total Medical Community	78,473.81
Operating Money	
Chg-Royal Bank -Operating #6498	13,643.83
RoyalBank mat10-27-26@3.44%#840	11,298.61
Total Operating Money	24,942.44
Preventative Money	
Chg-RoyBnk Prevent MM#6506	11,730.70
People's-mat 3/24/27-3.40%-7913	45,663.49
Royal mat 5/17/27 @3.45% #482	11,379.62
WCCU-mat-12/17/26-@3.89%#115	22,635.18
Total Preventative Money	91,408.99
Venmo/Pay Pal Checking 128007	25.00
Total Checking/Savings	973,164.67
Other Current Assets	
Scrip Card Inven Purchase	19,850.00
Total Other Current Assets	19,850.00
Total Current Assets	993,014.67
TOTAL ASSETS	993,014.67
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Retained Earnings	924,345.73
Net Income	68,668.94
Total Equity	993,014.67
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	993,014.67

PROFIT & LOSS

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Cash Basis

Greater Richland Area Cancer Elimination, Inc.

Profit & Loss

September 2025 through August 2026

	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
General Donations	93,120.00
general Script Donations	3,481.00
Memorials	14,948.25
Race for GRACE- Income	
R4Grace-Grants & Other Income	1,374.33
R4Grace-Sponsorships	2,600.00
R4Grace - Donations	3,225.00
R4Grace - Registration	9,500.00
Total Race for GRACE- Income	16,699.33
Registration	
Team Registration	9,388.00
Total Registration	9,388.00
Walk With GRACE	
Donations	181,351.06
Food Stand Revenue	1,895.00
Luminaries Contributions	4,920.00
Merchandise Income	904.00
Raffle Sales	
Bucket Raffle	3,300.00
Calendar Raffle	37,640.00
Radio Auction / Big Auction	33,035.00
Raffle Prize Pay Outs	-5,800.00
Silent Auction	6,019.50
Total Raffle Sales	74,194.50
Total Walk With GRACE	263,264.56
Total Income	400,901.14
Cost of Goods Sold	
Event Expense	
Food Expense	1,775.80
Insurance - Event	1,181.52
Logistics Expense	45.00
Luminary	144.08
Merchandise Expense	1,050.00
Misc Expense	446.00
Raffle Expense	
Auction Expense	100.23
Raffle License Expense	50.00
Raffle Ticket Expense	302.62
Total Raffle Expense	452.85
Registration Expense	
Plaques - Trophies	219.10
T-Shirts	4,743.80
Team Packet Expense	49.26
Total Registration Expense	5,012.16
Total Event Expense	10,107.41

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Cash Basis

Greater Richland Area Cancer Elimination, Inc.
Profit & Loss

September 2025 through August 2026

	TOTAL
Race for Grace Expenses	
R4Grace - Food & Bev	57.98
R4Grace - Medals and Awards	1,052.49
R4Grace - Misc Expenses	1,561.62
R4Grace - T-shirts	3,464.00
Total Race for Grace Expenses	6,136.09
Total COGS	16,243.50
Gross Profit	384,657.64
Expense	
Grace Expenses	
Advertising	
Float Expense	30.56
Advertising - Other	2,473.97
Total Advertising	2,504.53
Audit/Accounting Expense	3,900.00
Credit Card Fees	242.88
Filing Fees	79.00
Insurance - Board of Directors	428.00
Mail Box Rental	88.00
Misc. Office Expense	1,870.88
Office Supplies - Copier Expens	1,654.27
Postage	823.98
Telephone	2,622.96
Total Grace Expenses	14,214.50
Local Cancer Patient Expense	
Cancer Patient Expense	
Fuel (Heat)	7,609.08
Gas	43,600.00
Groceries	49,100.00
House Repairs	910.18
House Utilities	2,376.91
Medical Expenses	34,311.25
Misc Patient Expense	15,992.65
rent	5,976.42
telephone	1,701.28
Transportation	3,728.60
utilities	8,028.31
Vehicle Expense	2,504.53
Cancer Patient Expense - Other	0.00
Total Cancer Patient Expense	175,839.21
Total Local Cancer Patient Expense	175,839.21
Medical Community Expense	38,971.24
Research Donations	102,867.58
Total Expense	331,892.53
Net Ordinary Income	52,765.11
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	15,832.03
Other Income	71.80
Total Other Income	15,903.83
Net Other Income	15,903.83
Net Income	68,668.94

PREVENTION



- Handed out sunscreen packets at parades.
- Delivered monthly cancer prevention and awareness messages on WRCO's "Morning Show".
- 310 people participated in the Walk Around the World with GRACE, logging over 25,000 miles and lowering cancer risk. Together we completed an entire trip around the world for the fourth straight year in 2026.
- Held monthly potluck dinners at the Community Center to learn about cancer prevention while sharing Mediterranean diet foods from around the world that help reduce cancer risk.



2026 RACE WITH GRACE – 3rd Annual

Third time's the charm held true for the 3rd annual Race for GRACE event on May 9th. The weather was great and our numbers were way up from the previous two years. We had the 1/4-mile kids' race, 1 mile run/walk with the special First Responders Challenge, 5K run/walk and 3.5-mile trail run/walk.



The First Responders Challenge had eleven teams of firefighters competing against each other, three teams of police departments competing against each other and three teams of emergency medical services departments competing against each other for a total of 86 first responders.

The Ash Kicker team from the Viroqua fire department finished first, along with the Sauk County ERT police department team finishing first and the TNT Plain EMS team finishing first.

We had a total of **376** people registered for all the events, which is a big increase from 233 people in 2025 and 203 people in 2024. We also raised over **\$10,500** for GRACE.





We would like to thank the Richland Center School District for allowing us to have the event at the Richland Center High School track.

People really enjoyed the new location and so did we. We hope people will continue to look for ways to get active throughout the year. Strive for at least 2.5 hours of moderate activity per week.

We look forward to seeing you at the 4th annual Race for GRACE event on Saturday May 8th, which will again be at the Richland Center High School track.



Annual Totals

Annual Report	TOTAL	WALK Teams	Theme	Luminaries Sold	Survivors Participating
2004	\$137,212.69	49	Pioneering for a Cure	1,301	
2005	\$152,988.48	58	Community Block Party	1,402	123
2006	\$197,197.06	66	Casino Night Beating The Odds	1,558	127
2007	\$198,486.11	62	Race for a Cure	1,687	124
2008	\$208,688.58	54	Vote for a Cure No Debate . . . Eliminate	1,567	119
2009	\$207,269.32	51	A Million Reasons to HOPE	1,601	111
2010	\$201,029.62	46	Aloha Life A Taste of GRACE	1,541	89
2011	\$222,317.86	44	There's No Place Like Hope	1,615	102
2012	\$245,292.67	38	Finding A Cure An Olympic Feat	1,470	97
2013	\$254,322.52	37	Carnival of Caring	1,393	96
2014	\$279,115.63	39	Bon Voyage!	1,251	102
2015	\$274,884.73	35	Our Field of Dreams Striking Out Cancer	1,309	100
2016	\$296,604.88	36	It's Open Season on Cancer Let's Bag A Cure	1,267	97
2017	\$290,902.29	33	Friends Don't Let Friends Fight Cancer Alone	1,112	97
2018	\$276,405.71	27	A Blast from the Past 15 Year Reunion	1,055	89
2019	\$262,156.59	34	<no slogan>	1,188	
2020	\$209,431.54	34	Stronger Together	829	59
2021	\$159,362.05	31	Get Back On Track to Fight Cancer	969	93
2022	\$232,415.90	28	Outbid Cancer	969	70
2023	\$375,047.66	32	20 Years of Tears & Cheers Driving out Cancer	1,099	85
2024	\$313,993.50	38	Making Strides for a Cure	1,064	80
2025	\$411,470.31	44	Get Up, Get Up, Get Outta Here!	1,024	80
2026	\$400,561.47	40	We the People Unite for a Cure	984	72

Quotes from our Participants and Families

I really appreciate you all for taking the time to look over my application and provide assistance for me and my family while we navigate the changes/hardships that cancer brings. Thank you for offering assistance in so many ways

~ xxx ~

Words cannot express the gratitude we feel for the generous financial support from GRACE.

Staying in Lacrosse during the week kept us from getting so tired and made the experience much easier on both of us.

~ xxx ~

We received over \$600 in Kwik Trip gas cards in the mail today. (My husband) and I both cried. We are so very thankful for this. It will help us out so much with the drive to Carbone 5-days a week

~ xxx ~

I am writing you with deep appreciation. I had reached out to you for assistance . . . You generously responded.

Thank You

~ xxx ~

I have received my gas cards and words cannot explain my gratitude.

I am forever grateful. ~ xxx ~

When the BAD news is CANCER
The GOOD news is GRACE

~ Ron Fruit

